

NEPA COMPLIANCE DEVELOPMENTS

- ❑ Adoption of NOAA PEIS for coastal wetlands restoration
- ❑ DOI Universal Categorical Exclusion
- ❑ FWS new Cat Ex for minor construction or improvements for recreation- and education-related fish and wildlife activities

PROPOSED FWS CAT EX:

(X) The construction, repair, maintenance, or enhancement of facilities, to include new small structures, for public access for recreational hunting and fishing, fish and wildlife education, or other fish- and wildlife-related activities, when additions or improvements:

- a) Result in no or only minor changes in use; and
- b) Have no or negligible environmental effects on-site or in the vicinity of the site; and
- c) Are in accordance with existing regulations, approved land use or management plans, and procedures of the affected area.

This may include but are not limited to facilities or small structures for boat access (such as ramps and docks), fishing (such as platforms or piers), hunting and wildlife viewing (such as blinds and stands), existing public target ranges, fish and wildlife interpretation, or associated amenities (restrooms, parking structures, etc).

SUBSTANTIATION INFORMATION:

- Previously implemented actions
- Professional staff, expert opinions, & scientific analysis
- Impact demonstration projects
- Benchmarking other agencies' experiences